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### *Electronic Procurement System*

***Answer to the questions from interested suppliers  
in the competitive procedure with negotiations  
“IT Architecture Development Strategy”,  
identification number RBR 2023/5***

RB Rail AS presents following answer to the question received from interested supplier until 12 July 2023:

| Nr. | Question   | Answer  |
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| 1.  | Our audited annual financial report for 2022 will not be published until October 2023.<br>Will you please accept our financial reports for the three years of 2019, 2020 and 2021 for evaluation with our submission?  | Procurement commission (Commission) kindly clarifies that according to Section 5.2. of the procurement regulations <i>if the previous 3 (three) reporting years of the Candidate differ from the years specified in this Section (2020, 2021, 2022), the financial turnover necessary must be indicated for the Candidate’s previous 3 (three) reporting years.</i> Considering the above, if Candidates previous 3 (three) reporting years are 2019, 2020 and 2021 the Commission will accept financial reports for those years. |
| 2.  | We would like to participate in the competitive procedure with negotiations “IT Architecture Development Strategy” ID No RBR 2023/5 therefore we have a question regarding tender regulations:<br><br>The requirement specified in point 5.3 entails the inclusion of supporting documents such as signed references from third parties or similar | Commission kindly clarifies that Section 5.3. of the regulations states that “the Procurement commission <u>is entitled to request</u> from Candidate to submit copies of references signed from third parties or similar documents (copies of deeds of acceptance or other documents evidencing experience) from respective clients indicated in Annex No 4 ( <u>no obligation to submit references or other</u>   |

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| <p>documentation, within the experience description outlined in Annex No 4. This prerequisite aims to ensure the consideration and recruitment of highly skilled professionals. We kindly request your review of this requirement, taking into account the fact that in many countries, clients are not typically asked to provide formal references. Consequently, there is a potential challenge in accessing highly qualified experts due to this procedural limitation.</p> | <p><u>evidence document, unless specifically requested by the Procurement Commission).</u> “</p> <p>Considering the above-mentioned Commission clarifies that references or similar documentation should be submitted only if requested by the Commission within evaluation process of the Applications.</p> <p>If such request will be sent to the Candidate, Commission will ensure that decent time to submit the documents will be given.</p> <p>Commission kindly notes that other documents (copies of deeds of acceptance or other documents evidencing experience) besides references will be accepted by the Commission.</p> |
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Sincerely,

Procurement commission chairperson

I. Rudzīte

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